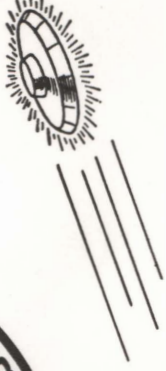




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E D I T O R I A L

Ufology generally is taking a turn towards the Close Encounter cases of which there have been, contrary to popular belief, a surprisingly large number, most of these thoroughly investigated and well documented.

With prior permission from Charles Bowen, Editor of The (English) Flying Saucer Review, we are reviewing a most interesting report from that publication, namely the Falcon Lake sighting, probably better known as the Michalak case which occurred on 20th May, 1967.

While lecturing in many parts of Victoria and the Melbourne Metropolitan area, committee members Judith Magee and Paul Norman, have had much of their lecture material verified. After giving a talk one night in a Melbourne suburb, they were approached by a young Canadian couple, who stated that the girl's father was a friend of Michalak. After Michalak's unusual experience and resulting illness, the girl's father called on his long-time friend only to be told by his son when he answered the door, that he could not visit him. Michalak was indeed a sick man, suffering from an illness the medical profession claims is much the same as radiation sickness.

During a visit to the U.S.A. in 1976, the two VUFORS investigators were in the office of a well-known UFO researcher and were informed that Michalak was admitted to the Mayo Clinic for treatment. Our informant confided that some time later, he had gone to the clinic to make enquiries regarding Michalak and his illness, only to be told he was never there!

However, Michalak was contacted and photostats were taken of admission papers, receipts given for cheques paid to the clinic on his behalf. Copies of these were shown to VUFORS representatives Magee and Norman.

We know this is not the only example of this official attitude, but such deception achieves nothing except to earn the distrust and ridicule of the people.

VUFORS aim is to bring the facts to the people and try to end this official policy of deceiving the public.

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Falcon Lake review begins on following page....

PHOTOPROOF OF YOUR SIGHTING!

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VUFORS COMMITTEE wishes members and friends of reciprocal organisations, a safe, happy and healthy festive season, and a prosperous New Year.
We'll see you in '83.

"THE FALCON LAKE INCIDENT" - Chris Rutkowski.

Credit: "Flying Saucer Review" of U.K.

Part 1.

Prologue : 1967.

Stephen Michalak arrived in the resort town of Falcon Lake on the night of May 19, 1967, intent on doing some amateur prospecting in the area the next day. He left his motel at 5.30 am the next morning and headed north into the bush. By 9.00 am, travelling under a bright, cloudless sky, he had found a quartz vein near a marshy area, close to a small stream. At 11.00 am he had lunch, then went back to his examination of the quartz formation.

At 12.15 pm, with the sun high and clouds gathering in the west, Michalak was startled by the cackling of a gaggle of geese nearby, obviously disturbed by something. He looked up and was surprised to see two cigar-shaped objects with "bumps" on them, at about forty-five degrees in elevation, descending and glowing red. As they approached closer, they appeared to be more oval and then disc-shaped. Suddenly, the furthest one of the pair stopped in mid-flight, while the other drew nearer and landed on a large, flat rock, which was later determined to be about 160 feet away. The one in the air hovered for a short while, then began rising and departed, changing from red to orange to grey as it flew into the west, where it disappeared behind the clouds, changing colour back to orange. Its movement at all times during its departure, like the arrival of it and its landed companion, was quick and noiseless.

Turning his attention back to the craft on the ground, Michalak saw that it, too, was turning from red down to grey in colour, until it finally was the colour of "hot stainless steel", surrounded by a golden-hued glow. Michalak was kneeling on a rock as he observed the object, and wearing welding goggles which he usually wore to protect his eyes from rock chips. A brilliant purple light was flooding out of openings in the upper part of the craft, dazzling the eyes and making everything around seem purple. (Michalak said that it left red after-images in the eye). For the next half-hour, he sat on the rock, making a sketch of the object and noting various peculiarities. He became aware of waves of warm air radiating from the craft, accompanied by the smell of sulphur. He also heard the whirring of a fast electric motor, and a hissing, as if air was being expelled or taken in by the craft.

About this time, a door opened in the side of the craft, revealing some lights inside. Michalak approached to within 60 feet of the craft, and it was then that he heard two human-like voices, one with a definitely higher pitch than the other. Having first thought that the craft was some new American experimental airplane, he was now convinced of this, and walked closer to the craft, asking, "Okay, Yankee boys, having trouble? Come on out and we'll see what we can do about it".

Getting no response (the voices had subsided), but being a little flustered, he asked in Russian, "Do you speak Russian?". There was still no answer, so he tried German, Italian, French and Ukrainian, then once again in English. With this, he walked closer to the craft, ending up directly in front of it. This close to the craft, the light from it was too much to bear, and so he flipped down the green lenses on his goggles. Poking his head into the opening, he saw a "maze" of lights on what appeared to be a panel, and beams of light running in horizontal and diagonal patterns. There was also a group of lights that were flashing in some sort of random sequence. Michalak stepped away from the craft, and waited to see what reaction his endeavour had produced (as he stepped back, he noted that the wall of the craft was about 18 inches in thickness).

Suddenly, three panels slid over the opening, sealing it totally to the outside. He examined the outside of the craft now, and touched the side of it with his gloved hand, noting that there were no signs of welding or joints; the surface was highly polished, and appeared like coloured glass with light reflecting off it, and made silvery spectra out of the sunlight. Drawing his glove back, he saw that it had burned and melted, as had his hat, which had apparently brushed the side. Unexpectedly, the craft shifted position, and he was now facing a grid-like exhaust vent which he had seen earlier to his left. A blast of hot air shot on to his chest, and set his shirt and undershirt on fire and also caused severe pain. He tore off his burning garments, and threw them to the ground. He then looked up in time to see the craft depart like the first, and felt a rush of air as it ascended.

When it had left, there was a strong smell of burning electrical circuits mixed with the original smell of sulphur. Looking down, he saw that some moss had been set burning by his shirts, and so he stamped it out. He walked over to where he had left his things and noticed that his compass was behaving erratically; after a few minutes, it became still. He went back to the landing site and immediately felt nauseous and a surge of pain from a headache.

The landing spot looked like it had been swept clean (no twigs, stones, etc) but piled up in a circle 15 feet in diameter was a collection of pine needles, dirt and leaves. As he looked around, his headache became worse, he felt more nauseous and broke out in a cold sweat. Feeling very weak, he vomited; he decided that his prospecting was over for the day and that he had better head back to the motel. (On the way back, he vomited several times, and he had to stop to regain his strength).

When he finally reached the highway, he found himself to be about a mile from where he had entered the woods, so he started off down the road in that direction. He saw a Royal Canadian Mounted Police car coming towards him and tried to flag it down, but it passed by, apparently to turn around, because a few minutes later, Michalak heard a voice calling beside him. It turned out to be an RCMP officer and Michalak told him the story of what had happened. The officer listened, and then told Michalak: "Sorry, but I have other duties to perform". He then left.

After walking for a few more minutes, Michalak reached the motel, but, thinking he was "contaminated", he did not go in, but rather remained outside in a clump of trees nearby. (A note should be made here about time references; to my knowledge, the next determination of time by Michalak is given as about 4 pm, when he entered the motel coffee shop. I have not found any specification of the time spent at the landing site, though from the references given, I assume it to be slightly over an hour in duration).

At 4 pm, he entered the motel coffee shop to inquire whether or not a doctor was available. He was told that there was no doctor nearby, but that there was one in Fenora, Ontario, which is 45 miles east of Falcon Lake. Michalak decided that instead of travelling further eastward from Winnipeg, he would return home and worry about prospecting when he was feeling better. He went to his room then, where he waited until the next bus to Winnipeg arrived at about 8.45 pm. He called his wife, telling her that he had had an "accident" and not to worry, but to send their son to meet him at the bus terminal. When he arrived back in Winnipeg around 10.15 pm his son immediately took him to the Misericordia hospital. The investigations began.

Editor's comment: It is one of the oddities of ufology that some cases get swept aside for some reason or the other & afterwards forgotten. It was thus with the Michalak incident, which is why I asked our contributor, after he

had submitted his detailed study of the case, to provide this prologue for our readers so that they have a record of the actual event. Mr. Rutkowski's study will be presented in the following issues of FSR.

Part 2

Introduction.... Something happened to Steve Michalak on the Victoria Day long weekend. His amateur prospecting was cut short by an encounter with a landed UFO. To this day, no definite conclusions have been reached regarding his experience, and his story has started to get garbled in publication over the years. Was it a hoax? Was it exactly as reported, and true? The final proof is yet to be found, but there is an astonishing amount of evidence to show that something occurred on a rock outcropping near a swampy area of the forest near the resort.

Michalak's account has appeared in several books and journals in various forms. For accuracy and the best detail, the reader is recommended to obtain Michalak's long-out-of-print book. But barring that, any one of several UFO books carries the story in sufficient quality to understand the case to a good degree, for example, Lorenzen (1969, 1976); Condon (1969); Story (1980); or Bondarchuk (1979). This article is a survey of the literature and the research, and is as accurate as possible, the result of the re-opened investigation of the case by UFOROM (Ufology Research of Manitoba), involving some new evidence and research conducted over the past few years. There is still much work to be done and many unanswered questions exist which could effectively aid in the determination of truth. It is felt that the Michalak case is one of the most significant on record, and may hold the key for future research.

Physical effects: The site...

The Condon Report found cause for concern with Michalak's inability to find the site while in the presence of officials. Michalak went on two expeditions before finding the site with Mr. G.A. Hart, a personal friend. Indeed, Menzel and Taves cite this as a prime reason for labelling the case a hoax.

However, Michalak has stated that the locating of the site presented several difficulties. First, when the incident occurred, the trees and bushes were devoid of leaves. When he returned to the area, Michalak said he was disoriented because the leaves were opened. This is a common complaint of individuals who hike in wooded areas, and can be regarded as a logical reason for experiencing difficulty in finding the site. In addition, Michalak said that for that first Condon Commission expedition, he was transported to the area by helicopter, and was told to find the site from the anonymous location where they landed.

The second expedition began from a point suggested to be Michalak's exit from the bush following his encounter. Again, it was unsuccessful, due to the leaves thickening and also Michalak's unsettled state of mind and body.

These explanations by Michalak can be accepted as reasonable, and are sufficiently sensible so as to eliminate a negative judgement on the case based solely on the inability to locate the site with official investigators. Disorientation in the wilderness can definitely be a problem in the locating of specific sites. There is no question, however, that the site can be easily located when found by trailblazing. The usual method of finding the site is to head north from the Falcon Lake townsite, and follow a creek around large rock outcroppings until the bare rockface is seen. The numerous beaver dams and claims markers in the area can be used as reference points. Also interesting is that the actual site is within direct view of a forest ranger tower. Craig reports that the forest ranger on duty at the time of the incident did not observe either the landing or flight of the UFOs, or the smoke which resulted from the ignition of grass by the landed UFO.

While this would seem effectively to flaw Michalak's story, one must remember that the individual in the tower would not be looking constantly in the direction of the site. However, the object was landed for at least 45 minutes and if it gleamed in the sun or emitted an "intense purple light" as it was said to have done, it is puzzling as to why the individual in the tower did not see it. Another problem that the Condon Report found was the reported direction that the object departed. This direction was 255° , and it is immediately obvious that such a bearing would have the object fly away from most observers. It was noted, however, that the bearing would have the object pass within a mile of the local golf course. No objects were seen by the golfers, though, again, if the speed of the UFO was great, this is not necessarily unusual. Condon also noted that the northward-opening gap in the trees was inconsistent with the 255° bearing. However, Michalak clearly stated that the object rose vertically before departing, so this argument is not valid.

Barrie Thompson, a CAPRO investigator, was one of the first to accompany Michalak to the site. He reported that location of the site was not that difficult, and that the early expeditions to the site were led astray by basic errors. Interestingly, both Thompson and Michalak reported a large amount of destroyed vegetation around the site. Thompson even described circular lesions on many leaves in the area (the leaves, he says, were all taken by the government before any civilian analysis could be done).

The Radiation

Much was made of the finding of radioactive debris at the site. This fact alone suggested to many people that Michalak was suffering from radiation poisoning. The radiation detected was from soil samples brought back to Winnipeg by Michalak and an associate, after they had finally located the site. They had placed Michalak's torn shirt and tape measure in plastic bags, and put these together with the soil samples in the same "napsack". When the items were given to officials for examination, the shirt and tape measure were naturally found to be radioactive as well.

Michalak mentions that Stewart Hunt of the Department of Health and Welfare informed him that the soil analysis "showed radiation". When Hunt went to the site and checked for radiation, he found "One small area...contaminated...across the crown at the rock. There was a smear of contamination about 0.5 x 8.0 inches on one side of the crack. There was also some lichen and ground vegetation contaminated just beyond the smear. The whole contaminated area was no larger than 100 square inches. The origin of this radiation is in some doubt. Whatever its cause, it was of sufficient quantity for the Radiation Protection Division to consider "restricting entry to the forest area". Beyond the areas located by Hunt, there was no radiation above the normal background. But the soil analysis showed a "significant" level of radium 226 for which there was no explanation. It was suggested that the radium had come from a luminous watch dial, the dial having been scraped onto the site. However, no evidence could be found to support this contention.

Analyses performed by the Whiteshell Nuclear Research Establishment showed that the radioactivity in the samples was that of "natural uranium ore". This included counts of both alpha and gamma particles. One 190 KeV photo-peak was originally thought to be anomalous, and due to enrichment of uranium 235. While this would seem to indicate something other than natural uranium, the isotopes were found to actually be present within the expected ratios. To check further on the soil radiation, in June of 1979, a re-analysis was carried out with a lithium-drifted germanium detector at the University of Manitoba. The results showed that all the energies detected could be adequately explained by the decay of natural uranium. Confusion may have resulted from the overlooking of the fact that U238 decays eventually into radon, a gas. Radon, of course, decays further into other elements, but the observed energies indicated a lower abundance than what would be expected. The reason for this, though simple, may not have been immediately obvious: radon is a gas, and will dissipate. Therefore,

abundances of elements later in the decay chain will be much less than if all the previous elements were solids.

The Falcon Lake Incident will be continued in the next Bulletin.

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UFOs OVER SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Always having had an interest in anything that flew, and having done a bit of flying in my younger days I suppose it was only natural that one would have an interest in UFOs.

I had heard people talk of their encounters and these were all very interesting but my interest took a sudden leap when my father, who lives in a small irrigation settlement, on the Murray River in South Australia, wrote to me of his and other local sightings.

These occurred over a period of time in 1971 and 1972. Many involved lights and coloured flashing lights but the most unusual incident that occurred involved a close encounter.

The local watermaster, in charge of the irrigation system, was changing sprinklers early one morning when he was confronted by a UFO sitting in the middle of the road. The craft was about 20 ft in diameter and shortly took off, leaving the witness with a certain shortness of breath.

After this and other encounters in the area my interest was considerably enhanced.

To this day I have not seen my first UFO but I guess it doesn't take much to realise we are not alone, the evidence is so overwhelming.

STAFFORD R. HALL.

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The Perth U.F.O. Research Group has published a UFO sightings register, which lists chronologically, all major sightings in Western Australia between May 1978 and December 1981. This is a very comprehensive publication, giving place, date, time, description of the sighting, and the number of witnesses. Excellent value at \$3.50 (incl. postage) within Australia, and \$4.00 overseas.

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ON THE UFO TRAIL by Paul Norman.

During my travels, I often encounter little gems of information which give clues to what is going on in the field of official UFO investigation. Unfortunately, some of these experiences illustrate that all that glitters along the UFO Trail is not gold. There are some individuals who assume that rank and position take priority over honesty and sincerity.

One of these incidents came unexpectedly while in the state of Arkansas, last May. It concerned a UFO incident which occurred one year earlier. A number of witnesses were observing a UFO maneuvering over their town. One of the observers, a retired air force man, decided to notify the air force base. Several minutes later, four USAF jets came streaking through the sky in pursuit of the UFO. As in most such incidents, the interceptors were left behind.

One year prior to that UFO incident, another military chase took place. It occurred over Spain. Ufologists probably would never have heard of the encounter if an unscheduled landing had not taken place by a commercial airliner with 107 passengers aboard. Prior to the emergency landing, two military jets were vectored to the proximity of the UFOs. Pilots not only observed the UFOs but the objects were filmed with gun cameras. Attempts have been made to persuade the Spanish government to release the films, without success.

Another example is the outstanding encounter experienced by Betty Cash, Vicki Landrum and Colby Landrum in Texas on December 29th, 1966, when U.S. helicopters were involved in a UFO incident that officials have denied, although the helicopters were seen and identified by several witnesses.

These and many other known cases have been made after officials announced to the American public that the USAF had no further interest in UFO reports since the Air Force sponsored Colorado Project under the direction of Dr. Edward Condon had proved their non-existence. While this fiasco appeased most of the scientific community and the public

generally, it did not deceive alert ufologists. And if officials do not come clean with their closet skeletons, their credibility with regard to UFCs, will remain in the dark rooms of antiquity.

The New Zealand Radar-Visual Filmed UFO Encounter ...

Some committee members of V. U. F. O. R. S. first heard the news by radio, soon after midnight (Aust. time) on the morning of the 1st January, 1979. They immediately recognised the description of the UFO activity as following the same pattern as similar cases, especially the famous Washington, D. C. radar/visual sighting over the nation's capital.

For the next few days, individuals of the scientific community, from various parts of the world, who had never made a study of UFO reports were voicing "Conclusions", all contradictory, none satisfactory.

Principals of two Australian UFO groups were also at the time misled by amateur astronomers and confused scientists, who were classifying the encounter with an amateurish Venus/Jupiter concept and/or hoax.

It was during that difficult period that Channel O (now Channel 10) invited VUFORS to a meeting for discussion of their problem. It thus became top priority to advise that the film be placed into the hands of the most competent and available photo experts with the best advanced computer equipment. As a result, the film could not have terminated in better hands than Dr. Bruce Maccabee, the chief investigator of that famous film.

Many books have been written by authors about what other people have seen. Here is a book written by a witness who was there, while it was happening.....

BOOK REVIEW

"LET'S HOPE THEY'RE FRIENDLY"

by Quentin Fogarty.

1982. 175 pages; 34 photographs, Indexed; 19 chapters. Cost \$9.95.

Angus & Robertson, Publishers.

Book No. E. 225

One need not recall the events of the night of the 31st December, 1978, on the Argusy flight over New Zealand waters, by Quentin Fogarty, as they are well known.

This encounter and amazing filming of a UFO is regarded by the majority as being the best all round data retrieval of a single UFO encounter - (in regard to witnesses, radar tracking, multiple visual sightings, filming of the objects, etc); and one of the best reported in the media around the world.

This book recalls events leading up to and during the encounter. But overwhelmingly, Quentin Fogarty has devoted three quarters of the chapters to film research, interviews, live transcripts, subject descriptions, debunkers, publicity of the event; and more common to the UFO witness the after effects in terms of how an event like this can change a perfectly sane life style into sheer hell.

It is a shocking discovery, especially through the eyes of a journalist, to realise that your words can mean little in the rarefied air of the 'high and mighty authority' or our so-called 'bastions of society', where with the wave of its powerful hand facts suddenly become fiction; the said reality becomes a figment of an unstable mind; so-called friends become enemies; the talkers are told to shut up, or else, and sad, but true, promises become hollow and the deceivers come to the surface.

Yes, readers, this book describes in great detail what UFO researchers and witnesses must put up with just to get the facts told. But Quentin is no man's fool and to prove this he has produced a very, very conscientious book. The art of fact finding, research and objectivity, cut like a razor through the debunkers, point by point, to show that his case is solid.

The book is easy to read and fresh with what has been lacking in past UFO books - that is scientific facts and good scientist researchers like Dr. Maccabee. This is no 'Lights in the sky' sighting and on completing the book, I feel that even the toughest die-hard will be a little softer.

This book is highly recommended and a worthwhile edition into anyone's collection. It is not another UFO book on many vague sightings, but a large descriptive book about one encounter and the chain of events which threw Quentin Fogarty's world into turmoil.

by John Auchettl.

The following contribution to the Bulletin is from
Dr. Willy Smith of Norcross, Georgia.

In my research I came across this item.....

"....This day being Sunday, the bell had just rung for Matins. The people had got up and were on their way to church. The sky was overcast and it was raining. Suddenly a great ball of fire fell from the sky and moved some considerable distance through the air, shining so brightly that visibility was as clear as at high noon. Then it disappeared once more behind a cloud".

This was reported in a Sixth Century historical work (The History of the Franks, VI-25, Penguin Books 1974) by Gregory, Metropolitan Bishop of Tours, and it happened on January 31st, 583 A.D. in that city. He doesn't call it a UFO but that's what it is, and it demonstrates once again the persistence of the phenomenon through the centuries.

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UFO'S HAVE BEEN TRACKED BY RADAR AT 20,000 FT SPEEDS:

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UFORUM ...YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED -

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In our last article we looked at the possibility of other planets as yet undiscovered in space; now we look at the possibility of another earth.

Astronomers at Mount Stromlo Observatory near Canberra have come to the conclusion that Alpha Centauri A is a sister to the sun.

Light from Alpha Centauri was registered on a specially sensitized photographic plate. The light took 52 months to cross 40 billion kilometres of space at a constant 300,000 kilometres per second.

This is a short journey in cosmic terms; Alpha Centauri A is our second nearest neighbour, only 4.3 light years away in a galaxy 100,000 light years across.

The similarity between Alpha Centauri and the sun is remarkable, the ratios of different metals are identical. The work which has been done has changed all previously acceptance of the sun as a single parent orb.

The possibility that there is another earth around this second sun is being investigated but astronomers are very cautious people and it may be many years before any further information comes to light.

Alpha Centauri A is the outermost star of the two bright stars which form part of the Southern Cross.

UFOs STUN FAMILY

Temuka, New Zealand - July 12th & 28th, 1982.

A family of two adults and three children saw UFOs on the above dates and were so close that they could see inside. "It was like an empty room inside" said Mrs. Dorothy Thew. "We were not even interested in such things before we saw those objects, but it just happened. People can believe it or not, but we definitely saw them".

She described the first object as "shaped like a football with its bottom sliced off". On the second occasion they paced the object in their car.

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STRANGE LIGHTS MYSTIFY ROCKY

Credit: "Daily Sun", Brisbane, Qld. 16 Nov. '82.

Police and seven Rockhampton residents are mystified by a UFO they saw at the weekend. They have been unable to solve the mystery of four strange lights that hovered for more than half-an-hour.

The lights, accompanied by a "weird, crackling noise", were first seen by a resident of Eton St., Rockhampton, about 11.15 pm on Saturday. Within minutes, seven people were watching the lights "dancing" above them. They called police who also sighted the UFO briefly.

The police watched for several minutes before the lights disappeared. Police checked with the Department of Transport who reported no aircraft in the area at the time.

"I'm not ready for a lunatic asylum but I certainly saw something very strange", said Mr. Kevin Dinsdale, a local hardware operator who lives in Eton Street. "I've never believed in UFOs but I'll be looking for those lights again every night of my life", Mr. Dinsdale said.

Const. Trevor Edwards saw four reddish lights "in the shape of the Southern Cross" hovering above the street.

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Exhibit # 3 and 4. On 8 September, 1973, James E. CARTER, as Governor of Georgia filed with the NICAP (National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena, Washington D.C.), a formal report on his UFO sighting. As a UFO enthusiast during his presidential campaign he promised to declassify all the secret UFO documents, and expressed to ICUFON that he "values" our "views and recommendations" on the existing UFO problem, which "will be of help to him in further developing his policy position."

However, when he occupied the White House' Oval Office, his "view" and "policy" on the UFO problem on the spot BECAME SQUELCHED!

WHO SILENCED PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER TOO?

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REPORT ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT(S)

Exhibit # **3**

This form includes questions asked by the United States Air Force and by other Armed Forces' investigating agencies, and additional questions to which answers are needed for full evaluation by NICAP.

After all the information has been fully studied, the conclusion of our Evaluation Panel will be published by NICAP in its regularly issued magazine or in another publication. Please try to answer as many questions as possible. Should you need additional room, please use another sheet of paper. Please print or typewrite. Your assistance is of great value and is genuinely appreciated. Thank you.

1. Name **Jimmy Carter** Place of Employment
Address **State Capitol Atlanta** Occupation **Governor**
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Special Training **Nuclear Physics**
Military Service **U.S. Navy**
2. Date of Observation **October 1969** Time **AM** **PM** Time Zone **EST**
3. Locality of Observation **Leary, Georgia**
4. How long did you see the object? Hours **10-12** Minutes Seconds
5. Please describe weather conditions and the type of sky; i.e., bright daylight, nighttime, dusk, etc. **Shortly after dark.**
6. Position of the Sun or Moon in relation to the object and to you. **Not in sight.**
7. If seen at night, twilight, or dawn, were the stars or moon visible? **Stars.**
8. Were there more than one object? **No.** If so, please tell how many, and draw a sketch of what you saw, indicating direction of movement, if any.
9. Please describe the object(s) in detail. For instance, did it (they) appear solid, or only as a source of light; was it revolving, etc.? Please use additional sheets of paper, if necessary.
10. Was the object(s) brighter than the background of the sky? **Yes.**
11. If so, compare the brightness with the Sun, Moon, headlights, etc. **At one time, as bright as the moon.**
12. Did the object(s) — (Please elaborate, if you can give details.)
 - a. Appear to stand still at any time? **yes**
 - b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?
 - c. Break up into parts or explode?
 - d. Give off smoke?
 - e. Leave any visible trail?
 - f. Drop anything?
 - g. Change brightness? **yes**
 - h. Change shape? **size**
 - i. Change color? **yes**

Seemed to move toward us from a distance, stopped-moved partially away—returned, then departed. Bluish at first, then reddish, luminous, not solid.

13. Did object(s) at any time pass in front of, or behind of, anything? If so, please elaborate giving distance, size, etc., if possible. **no.**
14. Was there any wind? **no.** If so, please give direction and speed.
15. Did you observe the object(s) through an optical instrument or other aid, windshield, windowpane, storm window, screening, etc? What? **no.**
16. Did the object(s) have any sound? **no** What kind? How loud?
17. Please tell if the object(s) was (were) —
 - a. Fuzzy or blurred.
 - b. Like a bright star.
 - c. Sharply outlined. **X**
13. Was the object —
 - a. Self-luminous? **X**
 - b. Dull finish?
 - c. Reflecting?
 - d. Transparent?

19. Did the object(s) rise or fall while in motion? came close, moved away-came close then moved away.

20. Tell the apparent size of the object(s) when compared with the following held at arm's length:

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| a. Pinhead | c. Dime | e. Half dollar | g. Orange | i. Larger |
| b. Pea | d. Nickel | f. Silver dollar | h. Grapefruit | |

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Or, if easier, give apparent size in inches on a ruler held at arm's length. About the same as moon, maybe a little smaller. Varied from brighter/larger than planet to apparent size of moon.

21. How did you happen to notice the object(s)? 10-12 men all watched it. Brightness attracted us.

22. Where were you and what were you doing at the time? Outdoors waiting for a meeting to begin at 7:30pm

23. How did the object(s) disappear from view? Moved to distance then disappeared

24. Compare the speed of the object(s) with a piston or jet aircraft at the same apparent altitude. Not pertinent

25. Were there any conventional aircraft in the location at the time or immediately afterwards? If so, please elaborate. no.

26. Please estimate the distance of the object(s). Difficult. Maybe 300-1000 yards.

27. What was the elevation of the object(s) in the sky? Please mark on this hemisphere sketch.

About 30° above horizon.

28. Names and addresses of other witnesses, if any.

Ten members of Leary Georgia Lions Club

29. What do you think you saw?

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| a. Extraterrestrial device? | e. Satellite? |
| b. UFO? | f. Hoax? |
| c. Planet or star? | g. Other? (Please specify). |
| d. Aircraft? | |

30. Please describe your feelings and reactions during the sighting. Were you calm, nervous, frightened, apprehensive, awed, etc.? If you wish your answer to this question to remain confidential, please indicate with a check mark. (Use a separate sheet if necessary)

31. Please draw a map of the locality of the observation showing North; your position; the direction from which the object(s) appeared and disappeared from view; the direction of its course over the area; roads, towns, villages, railroads, and other landmarks within a mile.

Appeared from West--About 30° up.

32. Is there an airport, military, governmental, or research installation in the area? NO

33. Have you seen other objects of an unidentified nature? If so, please describe these observations, using a separate sheet of paper. NO

34. Please enclose photographs, motion pictures, news clippings, notes of radio or television programs (include time, station and date, if possible) regarding this or similar observations, or any other background material. We will return the material to you if requested. None.

35. Were you interrogated by Air Force investigators? By any other federal, state, county, or local officials? If so, please state the name and rank or title of the agent, his office, and details as to where and when the questioning took place.

Were you asked or told not to reveal or discuss the incident? If so, were any reasons or official orders mentioned? Please elaborate carefully. No.

36. We should like permission to quote your name in connection with this report. This action will encourage other responsible citizens to report similar observations to NICAP. However, if you prefer, we will keep your name confidential. Please note your choice by checking the proper statement below. In any case, please fill in all parts of the form, for our own confidential files. Thank you for your cooperation.

You may use my name. (x)

Please keep my name confidential. ()

37. Date of filling out this report

Signature:

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